

Under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, no persons are required to a collection of information unless it contains a valid OMB control number.

<b>DECLARATION FOR UTILITY OR DESIGN PATENT APPLICATION</b> <b>(37 CFR 1.63)</b>  <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Declaration Submitted With Initial Filing      OR <input type="checkbox"/> Declaration Submitted after Initial Filing (surcharge 37 CFR 1.16 (e) required)		Attorney Docket Number		22344 US	
		First Named Inventor		PACHL	
		COMPLETE IF KNOWN			
		Application Number			
		Filing Date		June 1, 2006	
		Art Unit			
		Examiner Name			

I hereby declare that:

Each inventor's residence, mailing address, and citizenship are as stated below next to their name.

I believe the inventor(s) named below to be the original and first inventor(s) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled:

**Coated test elements**

(Title of the Invention)

the specification of which

☒ is attached hereto

OR

☐ was filed on (MM/DD/YYYY)  as United States Application Number or PCT International

Application Number  and was amended on (MM/DD/YYYY)  (if applicable).

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment specifically referred to above.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to patentability as defined in 37 CFR 1.56, including for continuation in-part applications, material information which became available between the filing date of the prior application and the national or PCT international filing date of the continuation-in-part application.

I hereby claim foreign priority benefits under 35 U.S.C. 119 (a)-(d) or (f), or 365(b) of any foreign application(s) for patent, inventor's or plant breeder's rights certificate(s), or 365(a) of any PCT international application which designated at least one country other than the United States of America, listed below and have also identified below, by checking the box, any foreign application for patent or inventor's certificate, or of any PCT international application having a filing date before that of the application on which priority is claimed.

Prior Foreign Application Number(s)	Country	Foreign Filing Date (MM/DD/YYYY)	Check Only If Priority Not Claimed	Certified Copy Attached?	
				YES	NO
103 56 752.6	DE	12/04/2003		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
PCT/EP2004/013782	PCT	12/03/2004		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
				<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
				<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

☐ Additional foreign application numbers are listed on a supplemental priority data sheet PTO/SB/02B attached hereto.

I hereby claim the benefit under U35 USC 119(e) of any United States provisional application(s) listed below.

Application Number(s)	Filing Date (MM/DD/YYYY)	<input type="checkbox"/> Additional provisional application numbers are listed on a supplemental priority data sheet PTO/SB/02B attached hereto.

Under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, no persons are required to a collection of information unless it contains a valid OMB control number.

I hereby claim the benefit under 35 U.S.C. 120 of any United States application(s), or 365(c) of any PCT international application designating the United States of America, listed below, and insofar as the subject matter of each of the claims of this application is not disclosed in the prior United States or PCT International application in the manner provided by the first paragraph of 35 U.S.C. 112, I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to patentability as defined in 37 CFR 1.56 which became available between the filing date of the prior application and the national or PCT international filing date of this application.

U.S. Parent Application or PCT Number	Parent Filing Date (MM/DD/YYYY)	Parent Patent Number (If applicable)

☐ Additional U.S. or PCT international application numbers are listed on a supplemental priority data sheet PTO/SB/02B attached hereto.

As a named inventor, I hereby appoint the following registered practitioner(s) to prosecute this application and transact all business in the Patent and Trademark Office connected therewith:

☒ Customer Number  Place Customer Number Bar Code Label Here

OR

☐ Registered practitioner(s) name/registration number listed below.

Name	Registration Number	Name	Registration Number

☐ Additional registered practitioner(s) named on supplemental Registered Practitioner Information Sheet PTO/SB/02C attached hereto.

Direct all correspondence to: ☒ Customer Number Bar Code Label  OR ☐ Correspondence address below

Name				
Address				
Address				
City				
Country				

I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under 18 U.S.C. 1001 and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

Name of Sole or First Inventor: ☐ A petition has been filed for this unsigned inventor.

Given Name (first and middle [if any])

Family Name or Surname

Rudolf

PACHL

Inventor's Signature						Date		
Residence	City	Ellerstadt	State		Country	Germany	Citizenship	German
Post Office Address	Erlenweg 13							
Post Office Address								
City	67158 Ellerstadt		State		ZIP		Country	Germany

☒ Additional inventors are being named on the 2 supplemental Additional Inventor(s) sheet(s) PTO/SB/02A attached hereto.

Name of Joint Inventor, if any:		<input type="checkbox"/> A petition has been filed for this unsigned inventor.							
Given Name (first and middle [if any])					Family Name or Surname				
<b>Jürgen</b>					<b>HOFERER</b>				
Inventor's Signature							Date		
Residence	City	Karlsruhe	State		Country	Germany	Citizenship	German	
Post Office Address	Akademie Strasse 19								
Post Office Address									
City	76133 Karlsruhe		State		ZIP		Country	Germany	

Name of Joint Inventor, if any:		<input type="checkbox"/> A petition has been filed for this unsigned inventor.							
Given Name (first and middle [if any])					Family Name or Surname				
<b>Branislaw</b>					<b>BABIC</b>				
Inventor's Signature							Date		
Residence	City	Mannheim	State		Country	Germany	Citizenship	German	
Post Office Address	An den Kasernen 6								
Post Office Address									
City	68167 Mannheim		State		ZIP		Country	Germany	

Name of Joint Inventor, if any:		<input type="checkbox"/> A petition has been filed for this unsigned inventor.							
Given Name (first and middle [if any])					Family Name or Surname				
<b>Martin</b>					<b>FRANK</b>				
Inventor's Signature							Date		
Residence	City	Dirmstein	State		Country	Germany	Citizenship	German	
Post Office Address	Rebgartenweg 6								
Post Office Address									
City	67246 Dirmstein		State		ZIP		Country	Germany	

Name of Joint Inventor, if any:		<input type="checkbox"/> A petition has been filed for this unsigned inventor.							
Given Name (first and middle [if any])					Family Name or Surname				
<b>Wilfried</b>					<b>SCHMID</b>				
Inventor's Signature						Date			
Residence	City	Mannheim	State		Country	Germany	Citizenship	German	
Post Office Address		Nietschestr. 32							
Post Office Address									
City	68165 Mannheim		State		ZIP		Country	Germany	

Name of Joint Inventor, if any:		<input type="checkbox"/> A petition has been filed for this unsigned inventor.							
Given Name (first and middle [if any])					Family Name or Surname				
Inventor's Signature						Date			
Residence	City		State		Country		Citizenship		
Post Office Address									
Post Office Address									
City			State		ZIP		Country		

Name of Joint Inventor, if any:		<input type="checkbox"/> A petition has been filed for this unsigned inventor.							
Given Name (first and middle [if any])					Family Name or Surname				
Inventor's Signature						Date			
Residence	City		State		Country		Citizenship		
Post Office Address									
Post Office Address									
City			State		ZIP		Country		

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, DC 20231


**GENERAL APPOINTMENT OF REPRESENTATIVE FOR  
U.S. PATENT AND PATENT APPLICATION**

The undersigned applicant or assignee hereby appoints D. Michael Young, Reg. No. 33,819, Richard T. Knauer, Reg. No. 35,575, Brent A. Harris, Reg. No. 39,215, Jill Lynn Woodburn, Reg. No. 39,874, and Marilyn L. Arnick, Reg. No. 30,444 all of Roche Diagnostics Corporation, 9115 Hague Road, P.O. Box 50457, Indianapolis, Indiana 46250, Telephone (317) 845-2000:

to prosecute and transact all business on its behalf before the United States Patent and Trademark Office in connection with any U.S. patent assigned to it and any U.S. patent application filed by it or on its behalf and to receive payments on its behalf.

Signed this 24<sup>th</sup> day of November, 1999 at Mannheim, Germany.

Roche Diagnostics GmbH



Signature

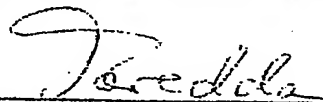
Dr. Bernd Kolb

Print Name

Senior Vice President

Position or Title

Roche Diagnostics GmbH



Signature

Dr. Andreas Poreda

Print Name

Director

Position or Title